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My Name is Mick Taylor. I Am a Tillamook County Resident. I'm a residential real estate appraiser and a landlord. As a Residential Real Estate Appraiser I analyse and report my opinion of house values (and frequently rents) in communities up and down the North Oregon Coast -It's a sweet gig. As a landlord I extract a portion of the product of someone else's labor in exchange for a survival necessity by the virtue of my holding title to property. Someone pays me money, on my money. It's a sweeter gig.

As a landlord I can tell you housing costs are too high in comparison to incomes and it's not healthy. One of the market's solutions to this imbalance is tent cities. I think you may have seen or heard something about those going up around here- and by around here I mean Oregon. Rent control is not going to fix everything but it will help ease the price to income imbalance and it will ease inflationary pressure.

Landlords should take the haircut. We don't produce, we extract. Back when we did away with feudalism we forgot to do away with landlords. Short of that now we could do away with restrictions on local communities setting their own rent control policies.

I support HB3503